

## A TRIBUTE TO ALYCE LIVINGSTON

**HON. GLENN POSHARD**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 30, 1998*

Mr. POSHARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to my constituent and dear friend, Mrs. Alyce J. Livingston of Decatur, Illinois who has recently passed. She was a devoted citizen and my condolences and best wishes go to her family and all who will miss her.

Alyce was born on July 19, 1934 in Paducah, Kentucky. She was a dedicated student, and her scholastic excellence throughout her years at Lincoln High and West Kentucky Vocational School led her to my district during the 1950's, where she attended Millikin University.

Alyce recognized the importance of providing quality child care service to Decatur's next generation. As founder and director of the Tiny Tots Nursery, she inspired and shaped our young children. In addition, Alyce was also a lab technician for the A.E. Stanley Manufacturing Company, where she provided nearly thirty years of service.

As a faithful community leader, Alyce spent her time helping the city of Decatur and increasing momentum in the Civil Rights struggle. She was a long time member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), where she served as an advisor and member of the Joe Slaw Civil Rights Awards Committee. Her strong beliefs in equality fostered her persistent efforts to build unity in Decatur. Furthermore, Alyce was a Decatur Township Trustee who committed five years to the city and was a member of the St. Peter's African Methodist Episcopal Church. She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Mr. David C. Livingston, President of the Illinois NAACP, and her two sons, Malcolm and David.

Mr. Speaker, citizens such as Alyce Livingston exemplify the undying devotion critical to community involvement. I will miss her dedication, her persistence, and most of all, her friendship. Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Mrs. Alyce J. Livingston whose dedication to her career, community, and her personal convictions had a profound impact on those who knew her, including myself. It has been an honor to have represented her in the United States Congress.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 4059,  
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AP-  
PROPRIATIONS ACT, 1999

SPEECH OF

**HON. DOUG BEREUTER**

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 1998*

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, this Member rises to express his support for the conference report on H.R. 4059, the Military Construction Appropriations Act for 1999. This Member would like to again express a very special and sincere thanks to the Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Military Construction, the distinguished gentleman from California [Mr. PACKARD], and also express appreciation to the ranking Democrat of the Sub-

committee, the distinguished gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. HEFNER], the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, the distinguished gentleman from Louisiana [Mr. LIVINGSTON], and the Ranking Democrat of the Appropriations Committee, the distinguished gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. OBEY], along with the other Members of the Military Construction Subcommittee, and the full Committee for their efforts in approving the Nebraska National Guard Joint Army-Air Medical Training Facility located in Nebraska's 1st Congressional District, which this Member represents.

This new facility will be a unique cost saving military construction project as both Nebraska's Army and Air National Guard Units will provide resources jointly to fund the construction project. While this joint funding construction arrangement is unusual, and was initially bureaucratically challenged, it is the reasonable way to go, for a jointly used facility is by far the most cost-effective and economical use of taxpayer resources. Isn't it ironic that taking the most cost-effective approach in spending the taxpayers' money is not always the easiest bureaucratic course? This project will go a long way toward improving the quality of training that Army and Air National Guard health professionals will receive, and will also improve the quality of health care provided to Nebraska National Guard personnel. In conclusion, I again want to express my thanks to the National Guard Bureau, and the Subcommittee for assisting this Member in his effort to make this a joint, cost-effective project.

Mr. Speaker, this conference report appears to be carefully and necessarily frugally drafted to contain worthy military construction projects. Therefore, this Member also asks his colleagues to vote for the conference report on H.R. 4059.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. GEORGIANNA  
SINGLETON

**HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 30, 1998*

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Georgianna Singleton on the occasion of her 101st birthday.

Georgianna Brewer Singleton was born on this date July 30 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven. She is the daughter of the late George and Hester Brewer. Mrs. Singleton was educated in the public schools of Sumter county. She met and married the late Willie Singleton, also of Sumter. Their union was blessed with six children, five of whom are still living; Maggie, Willie, Jr., Hester, Addell, and Woodrow. One child Ezekiel is deceased. Mrs. Singleton also raised a younger brother.

Mrs. Singleton is a life-long member of St. Luke African Methodist Episcopal Church where for many years she sang on the gospel choir, served on the stewardess board, taught Sunday school, and participated in various other groups and organizations. Mrs. Singleton has received several awards for her dedication and outstanding service to her church and community.

Mrs. Singleton has always been an inspiration to her family and community. She can still thread a needle without the aid of glasses,

and continues to read the Bible daily. Hebrew 11:1, "Faith the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen," must be one of her favorite passages of scripture because no matter the situation, she always says, "Leave it to the Lord and he will work it out."

Mrs. Singleton has outlived all of her siblings, but continues to enjoy the love of family. In addition to her five living children, she has 15 grandchildren, 37 great grandchildren, and 5 great-great grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor this fine woman as she and her family celebrate her 101st birthday, and I ask that we all join in saluting her dedication to family, church, and community.

TRIBUTE TO ST. THOMAS AQUINAS  
CHURCH IN KNOX, INDIANA, ON  
THE OCCASION OF ITS 75TH AN-  
NIVERSARY

**HON. STEPHEN E. BUYER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 30, 1998*

Mr. BUYER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to St. Thomas Aquinas Church of Knox, IN as it celebrates its 75th Anniversary. The church is commemorating this special year by hosting a variety of festivities each month.

A church of humble beginnings, the original church was purchased in 1911 by Father Joseph Abel who traveled to Knox for the occasional Sunday Mass. The church was officially recognized as a parish in 1923 and received its first resident pastor, Father John Lach. Father Lach performed the church's first baptism, marriage, and funeral before retiring in 1926.

St. Thomas Aquinas expanded in 1927 with the addition of its sanctuary and its sacristy under Father Charles Malay, the church's second pastor. As the United States emerged from the Depression, so too did the parish. Although St. Thomas Aquinas suffered through the Great Depression along with the rest of the country, the parish persevered through this trying time and entered a new era of growth led by Father Conrad Stoll. The church, led by the visions of Father Conrad A. Stoll, began a building fund for a new church in 1941. By 1953 it had raised enough funds to build both a new church building and a new school.

The new school was run by the Dominican Sisters and lay teachers. The Order left the school in 1962 to the devoted leadership of lay staff, the Principal, Mrs. Marie Martin, and the staff, Mrs. Anne Hindle, Mrs. Mary Jo Kennedy, and Mrs. Emily Brown who ran the school from September 1962 to June 1964 when the Sisters of St. Joseph arrived. The school provided an education for many children through love and dedication until it closed in 1983.

The parish continues to grow under the guidance of Monsignor Richard Zollinger, the current pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas. Its latest addition is a new rectory which was built in 1993.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate St. Thomas Aquinas Church on the celebration of its Diamond Anniversary, and thank its pastors, lay leaders, and parishioners for their witness and contribution to the Knox community. I wish the church many more long and prosperous years of worship and service to God.